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CHANNEL IDENTIFICATION IN COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS

the specification of which was filed on 8 February, 2002, as U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/067,748.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understood the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information known to me which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §§1.56(a) and (b).

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